

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD
**CHARGE AGAINST LABOR ORGANIZATION
OR ITS AGENTS**

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE	
Case 21-CB-257665	Date Filed 03-09-2020

INSTRUCTIONS: File an original with NLRB Regional Director for the region in which the alleged unfair labor practice occurred or is occurring.

1. LABOR ORGANIZATION OR ITS AGENTS AGAINST WHICH CHARGE IS BROUGHT			
a. Name National Football League Players Association		b. Union Representative to contact DeMaurice Smith Title: Executive Director	
c. Address (Street, city, state, and ZIP code) 1133 20th St., NW DC Washington 11332-0200		d. Tel. No. (800) 372-2000	e. Cell No.
		f. Fax No.	g. e-Mail nflpaexecutivedept@nflpa.com
h. The above-named organization(s) or its agents has (have) engaged in and is (are) engaging in unfair labor practices within the meaning of section 8(b), subsection(s) (list subsections) (1)(A), (3) of the National Labor Relations Act, and these unfair labor practices are unfair practices affecting commerce within the meaning of the Act, or these unfair labor practices are unfair practices affecting commerce within the meaning of the Act and the Postal Reorganization Act.			
2. Basis of the Charge (set forth a clear and concise statement of the facts constituting the alleged unfair labor practices) --See additional page--			
3. Name of Employer Los Angeles Chargers		4a. Tel. No. (877) 242-7477	b. Cell No.
		c. Fax No.	d. e-Mail
5. Location of plant involved (street, city, state and ZIP code) 3333 Susan Street CA Costa Mesa 92626-_____		6. Employer representative to contact Dean Spanos Title: Controlling Owner/Chairman of the Board	
7. Type of establishment (factory, mine, wholesaler, etc.) Others	8. Identify principal product or service Professional Sports Team	9. Number of workers employed 165	
10. Full name of party filing charge (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)		11a. Tel. No. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	b. Cell No. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
		c. Fax No.	d. e-Mail (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
11. Address of party filing charge (street, city, state and ZIP code.) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)			
12. DECLARATION I declare that I have read the above charge and that the statements therein are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. By Robert A Boland Robert A Boland (signature of representative or person making charge) (Print/type name and title or office, if any) Title: Attorney 122 Westminster Ct State College PA 16803-2602 Address _____ (date) 03/9/2020 09 56:21		Tel. No. (917) 716-8637 Cell No. (917) 716-8637 Fax No. e-Mail bob74game@gmail.com	

WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS CHARGE CAN BE PUNISHED BY FINE AND IMPRISONMENT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 18, SECTION 1001)

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

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Basis of the Charge

8(b)(1)(A)

Within the previous six months, the above-named labor organization has restrained and coerced employees in the exercise of rights protected by Section 7 of the Act by threatening to retaliate against employees if they did not join or support the union.

Name of the Union Agent/Representative who made the threat	Date the threats were made
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	10/31/2019
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	Ongoing Basis up to present

8(b)(3)

Within the previous six months, the above-named labor organization has failed and refused to bargain in good faith with the employer.



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March 9, 2020

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Re: National Football League Players Association
(Los Angeles Chargers)
Case 21-CB-257665

Dear (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

The charge that you filed in this case on March 09, 2020, has been docketed as case number 21-CB-257665. This letter tells you how to contact the Board agent who will be investigating the charge, explains your right to be represented, discusses presenting your evidence, and provides a brief explanation of our procedures, including how to submit documents to the NLRB.

Investigator: This charge is being investigated by Field Attorney LISA MCNEILL whose telephone number is (213)634-6513. If this Board agent is not available, you may contact Supervisory Attorney STEPHANIE CAHN whose telephone number is (213)634-6501.

Right to Representation: You have the right to be represented by an attorney or other representative in any proceeding before us. If you choose to be represented, your representative must notify us in writing of this fact as soon as possible by completing *Form NLRB-4701, Notice of Appearance*. This form is available on our website, www.nlrb.gov, or from an NLRB office upon your request.

If you are contacted by someone about representing you in this case, please be assured that no organization or person seeking your business has any "inside knowledge" or favored relationship with the National Labor Relations Board. Their knowledge regarding this proceeding was only obtained through access to information that must be made available to any member of the public under the Freedom of Information Act.

Presentation of Your Evidence: As the party who filed the charge in this case, it is your responsibility to meet with the Board agent to provide a sworn affidavit, or provide other witnesses to provide sworn affidavits, and to provide relevant documents within your possession. Because we seek to resolve labor disputes promptly, you should be ready to promptly present your affidavit(s) and other evidence. If you have not yet scheduled a date and time for the Board agent to take your affidavit, please contact the Board agent to schedule the affidavit(s). If you fail to cooperate in promptly presenting your evidence, your charge may be dismissed without investigation.

Preservation of all Potential Evidence: Please be mindful of your obligation to preserve all relevant documents and electronically stored information (ESI) in this case, and to take all steps necessary to avoid the inadvertent loss of information in your possession, custody or control. Relevant information includes, but is not limited to, paper documents and all ESI (e.g. SMS text messages, electronic documents, emails, and any data created by proprietary software tools) related to the above-captioned case.

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Procedures: Pursuant to Section 102.5 of the Board's Rules and Regulations, parties must submit all documentary evidence, including statements of position, exhibits, sworn statements, and/or other evidence, by electronically submitting (E-Filing) them through the Agency's web site (www.nlr.gov). You must e-file all documents electronically or provide a written statement explaining why electronic submission is not possible or feasible. Failure to comply with Section 102.5 will result in rejection of your submission. The Region will make its determination on the merits solely based on the evidence properly submitted. All evidence submitted electronically should be in the form in which it is normally used and maintained in the course of business (i.e., native format). Where evidence submitted electronically is not in native format, it should be submitted in a manner that retains the essential functionality of the native format (i.e., in a machine-readable and searchable electronic format). If you have questions about the submission of evidence or expect to deliver a large quantity of electronic records, please promptly contact the Board agent investigating the charge.

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Very truly yours,



William B. Cowen
Regional Director

Enclosures

cc: Robert A Boland, Attorney
122 Westminster Ct.
State College, PA 16803-2602

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DeMaurice Smith, Executive Director
National Football League Players Association
1133 20th St., NW
Washington, DC 11332-0200

Re: National Football League Players Association
(Los Angeles Chargers)
Case 21-CB-257665

Dear Mr. Smith:

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Presentation of Your Evidence: We seek prompt resolutions of labor disputes. Therefore, I urge you or your representative to submit a complete written account of the facts and a statement of your position with respect to the allegations set forth in the charge as soon as possible. If the Board agent later asks for more evidence, I strongly urge you or your representative to cooperate fully by promptly presenting all evidence relevant to the investigation. In this way, the case can be fully investigated more quickly.

Full and complete cooperation includes providing witnesses to give sworn affidavits to a Board agent, and providing all relevant documentary evidence requested by the Board agent. Sending us your written account of the facts and a statement of your position is not enough to be considered full and complete cooperation. A refusal to fully cooperate during the investigation might cause a case to be litigated unnecessarily.

March 9, 2020

We will not honor any request to place limitations on our use of position statements or evidence beyond those prescribed by the Freedom of Information Act and the Federal Records Act. Thus, we will not honor any claim of confidentiality except as provided by Exemption 4 of FOIA, 5 U.S.C. Sec. 552(b)(4), and any material you submit may be introduced as evidence at any hearing before an administrative law judge. We are also required by the Federal Records Act to keep copies of documents gathered in our investigation for some years after a case closes. Further, the Freedom of Information Act may require that we disclose such records in closed cases upon request, unless there is an applicable exemption. Examples of those exemptions are those that protect confidential financial information or personal privacy interests.

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Very truly yours,

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William B. Cowen
Regional Director

Enclosure: Copy of Charge

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Dean Spanos, Controlling Owner/
Chairman of the Board
Los Angeles Chargers
3333 Susan Street
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Re: National Football League Players Association
(Los Angeles Chargers)
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Dear Mr. Spanos:

Enclosed is a copy of a charge that has been filed in this case. Although this charge is not filed against you, it is necessary for us to obtain information from you to determine whether we have jurisdiction over this case. In the future we may also need to obtain evidence from you concerning the merits of the charge. This letter tells you how to contact the Board agent who will be investigating the charge, explains your right to be represented, discusses presenting your evidence, and provides a brief explanation of our procedures, including how to submit documents to the NLRB.

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Presentation of Your Evidence: We seek prompt resolutions of labor disputes. Therefore, I urge you or your representative to submit the enclosed Commerce Questionnaire to enable us to determine whether the NLRB has jurisdiction over this dispute. If you recently submitted this information in another case, or if you need assistance completing the form, please contact the Board agent.

If, during the investigation of this matter, the Board agent asks for evidence, I strongly urge you or your representative to promptly present all evidence relevant to the investigation. In this way, the case may be fully investigated more quickly.

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William B. Cowen
Regional Director

Enclosures

1. Copy of Charge
2. Commerce Questionnaire

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QUESTIONNAIRE ON COMMERCE INFORMATION

Please read carefully, answer all applicable items, and return to the NLRB Office. If additional space is required, please add a page and identify item number.

CASE NAME

CASE NUMBER
21-CB-257665**1. EXACT LEGAL TITLE OF ENTITY** (As filed with State and/or stated in legal documents forming entity)**2. TYPE OF ENTITY**☐ CORPORATION ☐ LLC ☐ LLP ☐ PARTNERSHIP ☐ SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP ☐ OTHER (Specify)**3. IF A CORPORATION or LLC**A. STATE OF INCORPORATION
OR FORMATION

B. NAME, ADDRESS, AND RELATIONSHIP (e.g. parent, subsidiary) OF ALL RELATED ENTITIES

4. IF AN LLC OR ANY TYPE OF PARTNERSHIP, FULL NAME AND ADDRESS OF ALL MEMBERS OR PARTNERS**5. IF A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP, FULL NAME AND ADDRESS OF PROPRIETOR****6. BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE NATURE OF YOUR OPERATIONS** (Products handled or manufactured, or nature of services performed).**7. A. PRINCIPAL LOCATION:****B. BRANCH LOCATIONS:****8. NUMBER OF PEOPLE PRESENTLY EMPLOYED**

A. Total:

B. At the address involved in this matter:

9. DURING THE MOST RECENT (Check appropriate box): ☐ CALENDAR YR ☐ 12 MONTHS or ☐ FISCAL YR (FY dates)A. Did you **provide services** valued in excess of \$50,000 directly to customers outside your State? If no, indicate actual value.
\$

YES

NO

B. If you answered no to 9A, did you **provide services** valued in excess of \$50,000 to customers in your State who purchased goods valued in excess of \$50,000 from directly outside your State? If no, indicate the value of any such services you provided.
\$C. If you answered no to 9A and 9B, did you **provide services** valued in excess of \$50,000 to public utilities, transit systems, newspapers, health care institutions, broadcasting stations, commercial buildings, educational institutions, or retail concerns? If less than \$50,000, indicate amount. \$D. Did you **sell goods** valued in excess of \$50,000 directly to customers located outside your State? If less than \$50,000, indicate amount. \$E. If you answered no to 9D, did you **sell goods** valued in excess of \$50,000 directly to customers located inside your State who purchased other goods valued in excess of \$50,000 from directly outside your State? If less than \$50,000, indicate amount.
\$F. Did you **purchase and receive goods** valued in excess of \$50,000 from directly outside your State? If less than \$50,000, indicate amount. \$G. Did you **purchase and receive goods** valued in excess of \$50,000 from enterprises who received the goods directly from points outside your State? If less than \$50,000, indicate amount. \$**H. Gross Revenues** from all sales or performance of services (Check the largest amount)☐ \$100,000 ☐ \$250,000 ☐ \$500,000 ☐ \$1,000,000 or more If less than \$100,000, indicate amount.I. Did you **begin operations within the last 12 months?** If yes, specify date: _____**10. ARE YOU A MEMBER OF AN ASSOCIATION OR OTHER EMPLOYER GROUP THAT ENGAGES IN COLLECTIVE BARGAINING?**☐ YES ☐ NO (If yes, name and address of association or group).**11. REPRESENTATIVE BEST QUALIFIED TO GIVE FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR OPERATIONS**

NAME

TITLE

E-MAIL ADDRESS

TEL. NUMBER

12. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE COMPLETING THIS QUESTIONNAIRE

NAME AND TITLE (Type or Print)

SIGNATURE

E-MAIL ADDRESS

DATE

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